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In re Application of:

Paul C. Peterson
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For: POLYMER HEART VALVE WITH
 PERFORATED STENT AND SEWING
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Group Art Unit: 3738

Examiner: Urmila Chattopadhyay

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
DATED JANUARY 12, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated January 12, 2004, for
 which the three-month date for response is April 12, 2004.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21
 be required for any reason, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from
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